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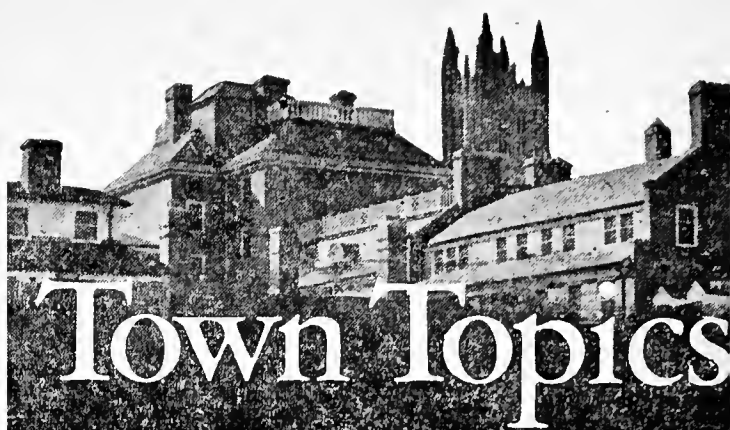
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An independent builder and contractor and a former member of the Borough Council, 62-year old Warren is doing a commendable job in holding the tax-line between ridiculously high face valuations and Borough assessments. By devoting evenings, Saturdays, and Sundays to his part-time assignment and by using his own knowledge of construction costs and property values as a yardstick, he has earned the approval of tax authorities and taxpayers alike. Indicative of the wide acceptance of his decisions is the fact that 1947 failed to produce a single tax appeal from the owners of the 1,800 taxable properties within the Borough limits.

Warren started making a habit of work at age 16, when he was hired as assistant Princeton operator with the Delaware and Atlantic Telephone and Telegraph Company which in 1900 maintained the town's 12 telephones and on occasions persuaded employees to accept 10-cent shares of stock in lieu of wages. Local businessmen necessarily placed the calls at the exchange and a casual contact with a contractor led Warren to swap his \$12-a-month post for a princely \$7.00 a week. He soon shifted over to carpentry, became affiliated with the Matthews Construction Company and early in World War I launched a family building concern.

It was in 1913, shortly after he had built his home on Aiken Avenue, that he and the former Olive Kinsey were married and together started making the Warren household a living Princeton legend. Although an assessor's worries are never ended and Princetonians troop into the house for consultations at any hour, Mrs. Warren—in addition to rearing five daughters and two sons—voluntarily assumed responsibility for the local functioning of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Strayed pets invariably wound up in her care and during the continuing quarantine she has been sheltering no less than six dogs.

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Topics of the Town

The Passing Show. Life in New Jersey is rarely static. This week, the State Legislature was busy enacting bills which would: permit the sale of yellow oleomargarine, relieving housewives of a tedious mixing chore and lifting a ban enforced by dairy interests in 1895; set March (instead of January) as the month for buying dog licenses; add a three-cent tax by July 1 to the price of every pack of cigarettes.

Princetonians opening doors and windows to welcome 75-degree temperatures last weekend got a renewed warning to close them when they went out: from the J. Carlos Quian home at 33 Allison Road, a thief took articles valued at \$600 (cuff links, platinum ring, motion picture camera), might have gotten more if the Quians had not returned home, causing him to drop 18 feet from a second story window and flee into the night.

Pre-war normalcy returned in force to Princeton athletics this weekend. The lacrosse and baseball teams moved below the Mason-Dixon line for Spring training games, the rugby team did them one better by scheduling a series of matches with Yale and British opponents, flying to Bermuda to meet them.

Anticipated income tax reductions (which will be retroactive to January)
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Another field will be thoroughly covered with their Travel Bureau, which will make all arrangements needed for ship, train and airline travelling. Still another facet of this versatile outfit will be a ticket agency, covering theatre, concerts, night club and hotel reservations—in short, everything that goes with a successful New York binge. All this, and, believe it or not, sitters too! If anything which you arrange through Consider-It is contingent upon having a baby sitter, one will be provided.

We hope you have the idea by now. A visit to the office on the third floor of 134 Nassau, soon to be attractively and comfortably decorated in early American style, will probably answer your problems, from tutoring in French to copy-writing of ads. The former will be done by a bilingual, long-time resident of France; the latter has a mat service to back it. And if you have any suggestions, be they personal needs or general ideas for simplifying practical life in Princeton, call 3406 and pass them on. They will be most welcome.

The Flower Cart. Anyone who has ever cast an eye in the direction of Gene Seal's flower shop, (200 Nassau) knows the appealing wooden cart which stands in front of it. Now, however, the cart has a new use, which should make it even more so.

Every Friday the cart will be loaded with a weekend special, and, judging by the Easter offering, it will be a really good buy. Daffodils at 75 cents a dozen and small gardenia plants (usually \$2 and \$2.50) for \$1.50 make Easter giving sound pleasant, budget-wise and varied selection-wise.

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1) looked all the more welcome this week when the latest cost-of-living figures burst into bloom. Despite the first drop in food costs in months, February set a new peak, with the 1939 dollar worth 57.1 cents today. Clothing, fuel and light led the upward parade.

Mice may have been responsible for the six-foot hole to be found in the roof of Baker Rink Tuesday morning. For well over an hour beginning at 3:54 a.m., the fire department battled a blaze that started in the lounge used by members of the Princeton Skating Club. One theory credited hungry rodents with gnawing a pack of matches alight.

The meeting of the borough and township boards of education, which many Princetonians joined TOWN TOPICS in hoping would be held, took place last Thursday night. Matters of common interest were discussed but nothing was released for publication. Further developments are expected, however, within a fortnight.

Music lovers have their choice of two worthwhile concerts scheduled for the McCarter Theater early in April. Next Friday, artists headed by Emanuelina Pizzuto, pianist, and Elva Kelsall, mezz-contralto, will be heard, while April 8 will bring the 40-voice Lincoln Uni-

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One more point: Most people think flying is for millionaires. This is not true. The average person can learn to solo a plane in seven to ten hours of instruction at a cost of under \$100. At Princeton Airport, Aeronca training planes rent for only \$8 an hour solo and \$11 with an expert instructor to teach you.

We are going ahead with improvements to make Princeton Airport attractive and useful to the community as rapidly as possible. Come out soon! We may be immersed in scaffolding and paint, but we'll be glad to see you.

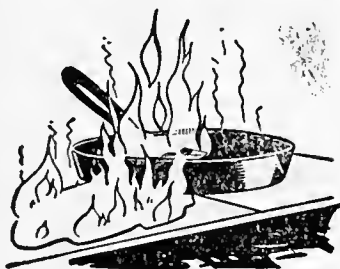
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News of the Theatres

The Playhouse

An Ideal Husband (Fri., Sat.) sends flirtatious Paulette Goddard sailing through an Oscar Wilde plot of romance and intrigue in British court circles of the 'nineties. Only fair.

Gentleman's Agreement (Sun. thru Wed.) tackles the tough problem of anti-Semitism by casting Gregory Peck as a writer who pretends to be a Jew for a few months in order to gather material for a series of articles. The shocking but authentic experiences he has and the effect they have on the audience served to rank the picture as 1947's best. With Dorothy McGuire, John Garfield.

If You Knew Susie (Thurs., Fri., Sat.) casts Eddie Cantor and Joan Davis as a pair of fortune-hunting hoofers whose lives are complicated by kidnappers and \$7 billion. Flimsy fare.

The Garden

My Girl Tisa (Fri., Sat.), with Sam Wanamaker & Lilli Palmer, tells of two Hungarian immigrants solving New York's problems at the turn of the century. Nostalgic but poor comedy.

A Woman's Vengeance (Mon., Tues., Wed.) portrays Charles Boyer as a faithless charmer who wrecks the lives of three women, is finally framed by one for the murder of another. Well-acted but lacking a sympathetic character. Dealing with marital infidelity, it's for adults only.

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Sunday, March 28th

- 5:45 a.m.: Easter Sunrise Service, Graduate College.
 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:00 a.m.: Mass, St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church.
 9:30 a.m.: "Christ Lives and We Shall Live," the Rev. Milton J. Nauss; Lutheran Service; Westminster Chapel.
 11:00 a.m.: "In Joseph's Lovely Garden," the Rev. Dr. Frank S. Niles; special Easter music; First Church.
 "The Ultimate Victory," the Rev. William L. Tucker; Second Church.
 "The Message of Easter," the Rev. Lynn H. Corson; Methodist Church.
 "Beyond The Veil," the Rev. Milton A. Galamison; Witherspoon Pres. Church.
 "Reality," Lesson-Sermon; First Church of Christ, Scientist.
 University Preacher, Dean Donald B. Aldrich; University Chapel.
 "Rolling Away the Stone," the Rev. John W. Johnson; Mt. Pisagh A.M.E. Church.
 Sermon, the Rev. Victor B. Stanley; Trinity Episcopal Church.
 Friends Service of Worship; Murray-Dodge Hall, University Campus.
 8:00 p.m.: Easter Cantata, "Christ Lay in The Bonds of Death;" Meditation, the Rev. Dr. Niles; First Church.
 Easter Pageant, three-act play; Witherspoon Presbyterian Church.
 Easter Program, Senior Choir and Gospel Chorus; Mt. Pisagh A.M.E. Church.
 8:15 p.m.: Evening Service; First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Wednesday, March 31st

- 8:00 p.m.: Preparatory Service for April Communion; First Church.
 8:15 p.m.: Mid-Week Service; First Church of Christ, Scientist.
 Meeting, "Princeton Recreational Plans," Council on Community Services; Y.W.C.A., 202 Nassau Street.

Thursday, April 1st

- 8:00 p.m.: Violin Recital, Miss Elizabeth Stouffer; First Church.

Friday, April 2d

- 4:00 p.m.: Baseball: Princeton vs. Muhlenberg; University Field.
 8:30 p.m.: Concert, featuring Elva Kelsall, Florence Vandeventer, Emanuella Pizuto, Chappell White and others; Benefit for West Windsor Township Schools; McCarter Theater.

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versity Glee Club here.

Last week came news from Students for Stassen that their candidate would (on April 28) make Princeton the site of his lone major campaign in New Jersey. This week, the argument over where he would speak was waxing warmer than many a debate on the merits of the individual candidates.

The Daily Princetonian and others said Dillon Gymnasium. Representing the university administration, Dean J. Douglas Brown said Alexander Hall. Contrasting the gymnasium's 8,200 capacity with Alexander's 1,300, the Princetonian remarked that if the latter site is chosen, "a bare quarter of the undergraduate body will be able to jam in." Scheduled to accompany Mr. Stassen to Princeton are Governor Driscoll and an estimated 500 county, State and national Republican officials.

The Princetonian quoted Dean Brown on its front page as saying "it can't be helped" if many who wish to attend cannot do so and "we are interested only in the Princeton family." Said the "Prince" on its editorial page, "... plainly an evasion of civic responsibility."

With the gymnasium's 3,200 capacity wholly unlikely to accommodate the many Princetonians who would throng to hear a leading candidate speak in a vital presidential campaign, the university's decision might still be given renewed consideration.



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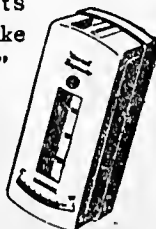
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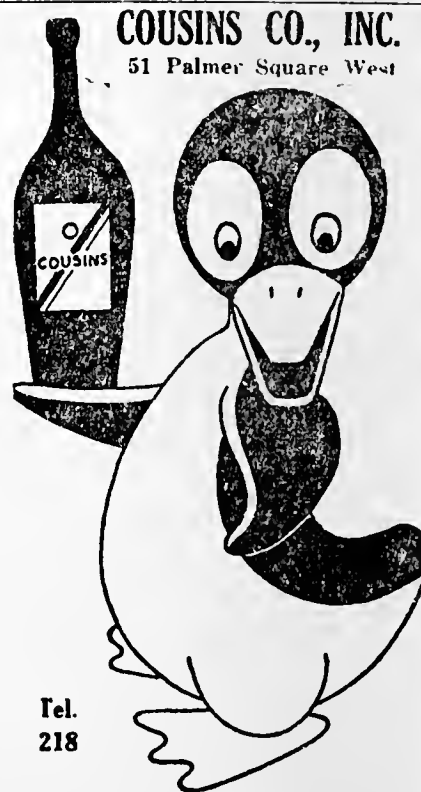
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